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### **Success on the Missouri River at Glasgow**

MACON – The ferry service at Glasgow kicked off on Monday, August 4 when the Missouri River Bridge was closed to traffic for rehabilitation. Information gathered from the ferry company indicates the service has been successful these first two weeks, with over 200 vehicles and nearly 400 passengers per day on average using the service.

The fare for the service is \$8.00 per one-way trip for passenger vehicles if the ticket is purchased on the ferry. MoDOT set the fare structure with input and approval from the city of Glasgow and the Glasgow Alternative Transportation Committee. The cost is equivalent in today's dollars to the \$3.00 fare charged in 1987 when the community provided a similar ferry service, and the price of gasoline was less than \$1.00 per gallon.

To help offset the cost of the service to individuals, MoDOT encourages carpooling. The \$8.00 fare is per vehicle; there is no additional charge for the number of passengers. Also, discounted tickets are available at the city of Glasgow and other locations for \$6.00 per one-way trip.

With a cost of over \$1.7 million to provide the ferry service, at the current usage rates MoDOT estimates it will recover only about 25% of the cost from the passenger fares.

MoDOT reminds motorists the ferry is a passenger vehicle service only. The access area on the west side of the river is a construction work zone and hardhat area. To keep the public safe and give the contractor ample room to work there is no parking on the west side of the bridge. MoDOT cannot allow individuals to walk on to the ferry.

Visit the website at <http://www.modot.mo.gov/northcentral/glasgowbridgeproject.htm> for information on the ferry service and to view the web cam to follow the project from demolition through construction.

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